

REMARKS

Claims 1, 7, 15, 21, and 28-33 have been cancelled above leaving claims 2-6, 8-14, 16-20 and 22-27 remaining in the application. Claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 14, 16-18, 20, 23-25, and 27 have been amended to change the dependency to an allowable claim, and should therefore be allowed. Claims 2, 5, 10, 13, 19 and 26 are allowed.

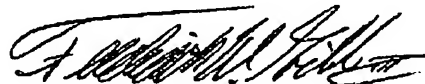
In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that claims 2-6, 8-14, 16-20 and 22-27 all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct from the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary.

Please charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Attorney's Deposit Account Number 09-0456.

Respectfully submitted,

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